



November 3, 2023

MEMORANDUM FOR: CHRISTOPHER GODFREY  
Director  
Office of Workers' Compensation Programs

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn R. Hantz".

FROM: CAROLYN R. HANTZ  
Assistant Inspector General  
for Audit

SUBJECT: OWCP War Hazards Act Claims Audit,  
Project No. 23-P24-001-04-432

Please be advised the Office of Inspector General is initiating an audit with the objective to determine if the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP): (1) processed War Hazards Compensation Act claims timely and accurately, (2) developed a process to address the backlog of unprocessed and/or unpaid claims, and (3) developed a process to securely collect and safeguard associated claims data. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference to discuss the audit's objective, scope, and methodology.

We plan to begin work immediately after our entrance conference and would appreciate your notifying appropriate agency officials of our plans. We would need a point of contact for requesting program information. Please provide the point of contact information to Stephen Fowler at the number listed below.

If you have questions, please contact Stephen Fowler, Audit Director, at: (202) 692-7103 or [fowler.stephen@oig.dol.gov](mailto:fowler.stephen@oig.dol.gov).

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